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SUBJECT: KING'S VISIT TO U.S.

1. IN BRIEF DISCUSSION WITH KING, HE OUTLINED IDEAS
ON VISIT TO U.S. WHICH HE HAS ACCEPTED FOR APRIL 29.

2. HE WOULD PLAN TO ARRIVE SOME TIME ON APRIL 28.
WE PRESUME BLAIR HOUSE WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR
REMAINDER OF WEEK AS USUALLY HAS BEEN DONE.

3. IN ADDITION TO APPOINTMENTS AND VISIT WITH
PRESIDENT, KING WOULD LIKE TO SEE VICE PRESIDENT,
SECRETARY, SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, AND HAVE HIS
USUAL CALLS OR MEETINGS WITH APPROPRIATE CONGRESSIONAL
COMMITTEES. FURTHER, WE HOPE IT WILL BE
POSSIBLE TO SET UP SOME BLAIR HOUSE BREAKFASTS
WITH CONGRESSMEN WHO HAVE VISITED WITH KING IN
AMMAN, PARTICULARLY SENATORS INOUE, MATHIAS AND
PERCY. WE ALSO BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO HAVE
A COMPARABLE BREAKFAST WITH HOUSE MEMBERS,
INCLUDING CHAIRMAN MAHON AND SOME LEADING MEMBERS
OF HOUSE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

4. KING WOULD LIKE TO HAVE CONSULTATIONS
AT WALTER REED AS HE HAS DONE DURING PREVIOUS VISITS.

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HE PLANS TO TRAVEL TO FLORIDA TO ACCEPT HONORARY

DEGREE FROM FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY AND ALSO FROM THE CITADEL WHICH WE BELIEVE HAS OFFERED A SIMILAR HONOR. HIS OWN ADVISORS HAVE SPOKEN TO HIM ABOUT ADDRESSING A COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY GROUP IN WASHINGTON AND HE WILL BE SEEKING ALSO THROUGH HIS OWN RESOURCES A MAJOR TELEVISION APPEARANCE ON A SHOW SUCH AS "FACE THE NATION" OR "MEET THE PRESS." (O'CONNELL DISCUSSED THIS WITH AMBASSADOR DURING HIS VISIT HERE A WEEK AGO.).

5. PARTY FOR VISIT WILL BE SUBJECT OF DISCUSSION IN GOJ OVER NEXT WEEK OR SO AND WE WILL PROVIDE FURTHER INFORMATION AS SUCH IS DEVELOPED.
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